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### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

#### **1. Election/Restriction**

5       The application contains claims directed to the following patentably  
distinct species of the claimed invention:

- embodiment 1:       figure 2;
- embodiment 2:       figure 3; and
- embodiment 3:       figure 4.

10       Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C.121 to elect a single disclosed  
species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted  
if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, no claim is  
generic.

#### **15    Response:**

      Applicant hereby elects embodiment 2 and figure 3 in response to the  
above restriction requirement. The claims readable upon the elected  
species are claims 9-15. Also, claim 9 has been amended to correct a  
20   typographical error only, to facilitate prosecution. No new matter is  
introduced.

#### **2. New claims:**

25       No new matter has been introduced by the new claims 16 and 17. The  
new claims are fully supported by paragraphs [0017] and [0018] of the  
specification and the figures as filed.

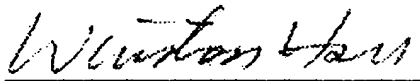
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Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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Sincerely yours,

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